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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Kindly enter the following amendment:

In the claims:

Please add new claim 10.

10. (new) An electronic data storage apparatus, comprising:

a substrate adapted for selective insertion into a chassis;

at least one first electronic data storage device connected to said substrate;

said substrate comprising at least one electrical conductor corresponding to said at least one first electronic data storage device; and

said at least one first electronic data storage device electrically coupled to said at least one corresponding electrical conductor.